FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/

Form 4

September 03, 2015

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Geier Peter E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

(Middle)

FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP

(Check all applicable)

/OH/ [FFBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2015

255 EAST FIFTH STREET, SUITE

(Street)

(First)

2900

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transacti	4. Securi on(A) or D			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and (A) or (D)	5) Price	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/02/2015		D	1,162 (1)	D	\$ 18.16	1,586	I	RESTRICTED (2)
Common Stock	09/02/2015		A	1,162 (1)	A	\$ 18.16	35,435	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Geier Peter E 255 EAST FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X						

Signatures

/s/ Billie L. 09/03/2015 Meents, POA

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Vesting of restricted stock award.
- (2) Director Restricted Stock

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